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SUBJECT: PRIME MINISTER EVERTSZ PLEASED WITH RECEPTION IN
WASHINGTON

FOR ARA/CAR - WAUCHOPE

1. PRIME MINISTER J.M.G. EVERTSZ TOLD ME YESTERDAY
THAT HE WAS PLEASED WITH THE RECEPTION THAT HE AND HIS
PARTY RECEIVED IN WASHINGTON, EVEN THOUGH IT WAS DURING
A TRAUMATIC TIME BECAUSE OF THE CHANGE OF PRESIDENTS.
HE WAS PARTICULARLY GRATEFUL THAT THE MANY IMPORTANT
OFFICIALS HE WAS TO SEE KEPT THEIR APPOINTMENTS WITH
HIM DESPITE THEIR BUSY SCHEDULES.

2. HE STATED HE UNDERSTOOD THE PROBLEM OF A CHANGE
IN THE US TAX LAWS CONCERNING THE OFFSHORE COMPANIES,
ALTHOUGH HE REITERATED THAT THE LOSS OF REVENUE AS A
RESULT WOULD BE VERY DIFFICULT FOR THE NA TO BEAR,
PARTICULARLY IN THIS TIME OF HEAVY INFLATION. HE
APPRECIATED THE OFFER BY IRS OFFICIALS TO ASSIST IN
TRAINING NA TAX OFFICIALS TO ENABLE THEM TO MORE
EFFECTIVELY COLLECT TAXES FROM THE CASINOS. HE
PARTICULARLY APPRECIATED THE WARM RECEPTION HE
RECEIVED FROM MESSRS. KUBISCH, SHLAUDEMANN AND OTHERS
IN THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE.

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3. COMMENT: THE CONSULATE GENERAL APPRECIATES
THE FINE RECEPTION THAT WAS PROVIDED PRIME MINISTER
EVERTSZ ON HIS INITIAL VISIT TO WASHINGTON. IT IS FULLY
AWARE OF THE DIFFICULTIES THAT WERE PREVALENT IN
WASHINGTON DURING THE WEEK OF HIS VISIT. DESPITE THIS,
HE CAME AWAY WITH A VERY EXCELLENT IMPRESSION OF OUR
COUNTRY AND ITS STATESMEN. IT IS SUCH THAT THE GOOD
WILL THAT WAS GENERATED BY THE TREATMENT OF THE PRIME
MINISTER DURING THIS VISIT WILL MAKE A LASTING IMPRESSION.
IT WILL GO EVEN FURTHER IN CEMENTING THE GOOD WILL THAT
HAS ALWAYS EXISTED BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES AND THE
NETHERLANDS ANTILLES.
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